## **City of Preston Town Fund Board**

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**Present:** Mr J Chesworth in the Chair; Councillors Brown and Borrow,

Ms K Illingworth - Turner, Mr R Binns, Mr Burns and Mr A Phillips

#### Also in attendance:

Mr C Hayward – Director of Development and

Housing

Ms J Wilding – Director of Resources & S151

Officer

Ms Palmer – Regeneration Manager
Ms N Billington – Head of Policy and External

Relations

Mr Z Bapu – Senior Member Services Officer

**Apologies:** Councillor Ms A Parkinson, Mr M Flemming, Connor and M Close

#### **CD66 Chairs Announcements**

There were none.

## **CD67** Declaration of Interests (if any)

Mr J Chesworth and Mr A Phillips both declared a standing interest as they were both Members of the Youth Zone Board.

#### CD68 Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as an accurate record.

# **CD69 Towns Fund Implementation Report**

Mr M Cowburn provided an update on Implementation of the Towns Fund projects and a general update from the TIG, Monitoring and Evaluation and the CFA's. The Board were also updated on the Towns Fund work programme with current status of projects and forthcoming milestones were highlighted. Mr Cowburn informed the Board that all projects were progressing well there were no concerns to report.

Amounderness House scheme was making positive progress. Issues regarding lighting design on the Illuminate and Integrate scheme was highlighted to the Board and it was reported that discussions were on-going

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with LCC and it was anticipated that the matter would be resolved swiftly. The Board were informed that the Youth Zone project was at a key point in that it was at the tender stage and there had been 11 expressions of interests. The Animate project was progressing well as was the Your Harris project where part of the scaffold was due to come down imminently, however it was reported that there was a 15 week delay due to additional work being required to be undertaken. The delays were under constant review. The financial positions of the projects were on target and no issues to report.

#### **Communication Update**

An update on the Comms was provided and the work undertaken by Limitless was reported to the Board.

**Resolved** – That the Board agreed to

- (i) Noted the August/September Monitoring Updates; and
- (ii) noted the interim Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Update.